# **BEARFACTS** 1993 – 2003 Clay, Arkansas [05021]

Clay is one of 75 counties in Arkansas. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2003 population of 16,776 ranked 46th in the state.

### PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2003 Clay had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$21,135. This PCPI ranked 38th in the state and was 86 percent of the state average, \$24,440, and 67 percent of the national average, \$31,504. The 2003 PCPI reflected an increase of 19.3 percent from 2002. The 2002-2003 state change was 4.5 percent and the national change was 2.2 percent. In 1993 the PCPI of Clay was \$14,073 and ranked 47th in the state. The 1993-2003 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.9 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

#### TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2003 Clay had a total personal income (TPI) of \$354,558\*. This TPI ranked 44th in the state and accounted for 0.5 percent of the state total. In 1993 the TPI of Clay was \$253,093\* and ranked 42nd in the state. The 2003 TPI reflected an increase of 17.9 percent from 2002. The 2002-2003 state change was 5.1 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The 1993-2003 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.0 percent and for the nation was 5.1 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Clay. In 2003 net earnings accounted for 60.3 percent of TPI (compared with 58.7 in 1993); dividends, interest, and rent were 11.7 percent (compared with 15.9 in 1993); and personal current transfer receipts were 28.0 percent (compared with 25.4 in 1993). From 2002 to 2003 net earnings increased 35.0 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 10.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 3.3 percent. From 1993 to 2003 net earnings increased on average 3.7 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 0.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 4.5 percent.

#### EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Clay increased from \$156,790\* in 2002 to \$208,749\* in 2003, an increase of 33.1 percent. The 2002-2003 state change was 6.7 percent and the national change was 3.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1993 estimate of \$158,219\* to the 2003 estimate was 2.8 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.0 percent and for the nation was 5.3 percent.

\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.

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